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PATENT APPLICATION

Mo5457

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION OF) EXPEDITED UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
KARL W. HAIDER ET AL) EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/474,114) EXAMINING GROUP NO.: 1711
FILED: DECEMBER 29, 1999) EXAMINER: R. A. SERGENT
TITLE: HYDROPHOBIC LIGHT STABLE)
POLYURETHANE ELASTIMER)
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This response is filed in reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 20, 2003 in the above-captioned matter and setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply up to and including August 20, 2003. Applicants respectfully request entry of the instant amendment as it is filed in an effort to present the claims in better form for consideration or appeal.

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